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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE HAD "CREATED A FEELING OF SURPRISE" AMONG THOSE IN THE MINISTRY WHO WERE AWARE OF IT;

5. I SAID THAT I COULD NOT SPEAK OFFHAND TO THE QUESTION OF THE PRESS RELEASE; BUT THAT HE COULD ASSURE ANY OF HIS COLLEAGUES THAT THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZED ONLY ONE GOVERNMENT OF POLAND, THAT LOCATED IN WARSAW.

6. SPASOWSKI SAID HE WISHED I COULD CONVINCE HIM OF THAT IN SUCH A WAY THAT HE, IN TURN, COULD ANSWER THE QUESTIONS RAISED BY HIS COLLEAGUES, IF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE RECOGNIZES SOME OTHER ENTITY AS A "FOREIGN PRINCIPAL," HOW COULD THIS BE EXPLAINED? AFTER ALL, THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE IS THE SOURCE OF LEGAL ADVICE FOR THE U.S.

GOVERNMENT. CAN THE U.S. GOVERNMENT'S OFFICIAL LEGAL AUTHORITY DO SOMETHING WHICH HAS NO LEGAL BASIS OR SIGNIFICANCE? I SAID THAT THE ACT PROVIDED FOR REGISTRATION BY INDIVIDUALS IN THE U.S.; THE FACT THAT SUCH AN INDIVIDUAL CLAIMED TO BE THE REPRESENTATIVE OF AN ENTITY ABROAD DID NOT CONFER UPON THAT ENTITY A LEGAL RECOGNITION OR STATUS IN THE EYES OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT.

7. SPASOWSKI SAID THAT THE MINISTER HAD ASKED HIM HOW THIS COULD BE EXPLAINED. HE WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE MY CONSIDERING THE MATTER, WE COULD DISCUSS IT AGAIN.

8. COMMENT: SPASOWSKI WAS VERY RESTRAINED AND CAUTIOUS THROUGHOUT THIS DISCUSSION. HE DID NOT ASK ME TO TRANSMIT THIS INQUIRY TO MY AUTHORITIES IN WASHINGTON, AT THE SAME TIME, HE IS OBVIOUSLY UNDER PRESSURE FROM THE FOREIGN MINISTER TO OBTAIN AN AUTHORITATIVE INTERPRETATION WHICH THE MINISTER CAN USE IN EXPLAINING TO HIS SENIOR COLLEAGUES WHAT SOME OF THEM MAY WELL INTERPRET AS A FURTHER STEP IN THE LEGITIMIZATION OF "FREE POLAND." END COMMENT:

9. ACTION REQUESTED: I SHOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE RECEIVING AN AUTHORITATIVE INTERPRETATION OF THE ISSUE RAISED BY THIS PRESS RELEASE IN TIME TO PRESENT IT TO SPASOWSKI EARLY IN THE MORNING OF SEPTEMBER 10. DAVIES

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